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HEADLINES IN TORONTO - IS IT TIED TO URANIUM?

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1. CONTENT OF PAGE ONE SEPT. 27 TORONTO STAR ARTICLE
ON NEGATIVE JAPANESE OPINION OF CANADIAN INVESTMENT CLIMATE
(REPORTED REFTEL) HAS HEADLINED IN ALL MEDIA. GLOBE & MAIL SEP 28
FRON-PAGED CORRESPONDENT-WRITTEN STORY AND CARRIED
EDITORIAL CALLING CANADA TO SHAPE UP. TABLOID TORONTO
SUN USED CLAIRE HOY COLUMN ON SAME SUBJECT PAGE 14
BUT USED FRON PAGE TICKLER HEADLINE "JAPANESE GIVE DAVIS TOUGH
TIME." STORY ON HASHIMOTO AND KEIDANREN OPINION ALSO LEAD ITEM
ON MOST ELECTRONIC MEDIA EVENING SEPT. 27 AND MORNING SEPT.28.
2. CLAIRE HOY COLUMN FROM TOKYO REPORTED PREMIER DAVIS
ISSUED FOUR PAGE STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO HASHIMOTO OBSERVATIONS
IN WHICH PREMIER REGRETTED JAPANESE HAD NOT RECOGNIZED
IMPROVEMENT IN LABOR SITUATION AND STUDY MORE RECENT THAT
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CRITICAL 1976 ONE WHICH RATED CANADA AS THIRD BEST INVESTMENT
IN WORLD BEHIND US AND WEST GERMANY. DAVIS EXPRESSED CONCERN WITH
"THE PERSISTENCE OF SOME MYTHS AND HALF-TRUTHS ABOUT THE
STATE OF THE CANADIAN AND ONTARIO ECONOMY."

3. HOY CONCLUDED ARTICLE WITH SUGGESTION THAT JAPANESE RESPONSE
TO ONTARIO MISSION CONDITIONED BY QUESTION OF URANIUM SUPPLY--

ONTARIO BEING CANADA'S MAJOR PRODUCER.

"WHAT'S REALLY BUGGING THE JAPANESE, ALTHOUGH NOBODY ADMITS IT,
IS THE FACT THEY CAN'T HAVE CANADIAN URANIUM WITHOUT A GUARANTEE
THEY WONT USE IT FOR ANYTHING BUTY PEACEFUL USES.

"THE SUBJECT OF URANIUM HAS BEEN RAISED TIME AND AGAIN AT
THESE TALKS AND IT LOOKS VERY MUCH LIKE THE JAPANESE
ARE BEING DELIBERATELY PETULANT UNTIL THEY GET THEIR WAY
ON URANIUM.

"SINCE IT'S NOT LIKELY TO HAPPEN, IT REMAINS A SERIOUS
OBSTACLE TO SIGNIFICANT GROWTH IN TRADE BETWEEN US AND THEM."

4. SETS OF CLIPPINGS BEING SENT STATE EUR/CAN, COMMERCE
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